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1. VISITING ROMANIAN PRESIDENT NICOLAE CEAUSESCU
CONTINUED HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH CCP CHAIRMAN AND PREMIER
HUA KUO-FENG DURING THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 16. IN THE
MORNING, CEAUSESCU AND THE OFFICIAL PARTY VISITED THE
PEKING WOOLEN MILL AND AN ARMORED PLA UNIT ACCOMPANIED
BY CCP VICE CHAIRMAN AND SECURITY BOSS WANG TUNG-HSING.
CCP VICE CHAIRMAN TENG HSIAO-PING ACCOMPANIED CEAUSESCU
TO A CHINESE MARTIAL ARTS DEMONSTRATION IN THE EVENING.

2. PEKING MEDIA MAY 17 WERE DOMINATED BY EDITORIALS,
ARTICLES AND REPORTS ON THE CLOSING OF THE NATIONAL
EDUCATION CONFERENCE MAY 16. LIU HSI-YAO, MINISTER OF
EDUCATION, SUMMED UP THE MONTH-LONG MEETING BY DESCRIBING
CCP VICE CHAIRMAN TENG HSIAO-PING'S APRIL SPEECH AS THE
"MASTER PLAN" FOR EDUCATION. THE MEETING CODIFIED
PLANS FOR STRENGTHENING THE EDUCATION SYSTEM, EXPANDING
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COLLEGE PROGRAMS AND RE-ESTABLISHING GRADUATE SCHOOLS.

3. THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION FOR FRIENDSHIP
WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES (CPAFFC) GAVE A BANQUET IN HONOR
OF THE FORTY MEMBER DELEGATION OF THE FORMER US ARMY
OBSERVERS GROUP IN YENAN. FOREIGN MINISTER HUANG HUA,
CPAFFC PRESIDENT WANG PING-NAN, AND VICE FOREIGN MINISTER

CHANG WEN-CHIN ATTENDED THE BANQUET. THE DELEGATION, LED BY PAUL DOMKE, ENTERED THE PRC APRIL 30 AND INCLUDES JOHN EMMERSON.

4. NCNA ALSO CONTINUES TO REPORT ON PRC VICE PREMIER KU MU'S CURRENT VISIT TO WESTERN EUROPE. A MAY 15 DISPATCH DETAILS HIS VISITS TO SWISS POWER STATIONS, FARMS AND AN AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL.

5. THROUGH REPLAYS OF FOREIGN PRESS REPORTS, THE PEKING MEDIA HAVE EXPRESSED PRC DISPLEASURE OVER THE "SOVIET INSTIGATED NEW INVASION OF ZAIRE." REPORTS FROM THE ZAIRIAN PRESS CONDEMNING THE SOVIET UNION AND CUBA FOR DISPATCHING MERCENARIES, STATEMENTS BY ZAIRIAN OFFICIALS, AND PRESS REPORTS FROM MAURITANIA WERE HIGHLIGHTED.

6. SIR NEIL CAMERON, BRITISH CHIEF OF THE DEFENSE STAFF, WAS HONORED AT A BANQUET GIVEN AT THE PRC EMBASSY IN LONDON MAY 15. CAMERON VISITED THE PRC FROM APRIL 27 TO MAY 2 AND GENERATED CONSIDERABLE CONTROVERSY IN PARLIAMENT OVER HIS ANTI-SOVIET COMMENTS MADE DURING THE VISIT.

7. ON MAY 16, CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OFFICIALS MET WITH PROFESSOR J. STEINBERGER AND DR. JOHN ELLIS OF THE EUROPEAN NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTER.
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